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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$36.
 - \$378 for 21 total claims over 20.
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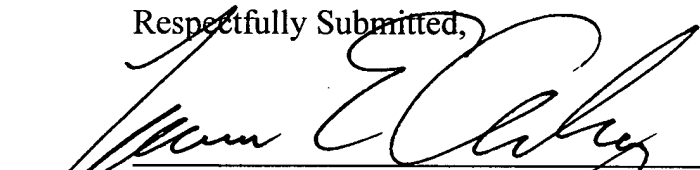
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Responsive to the Office Letter dated April 2, 2001, enclosed is the Declaration/Power of Attorney in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63. Also enclosed is a copy of the Formalities Letter and a check in the amount of \$130.00 to cover the required surcharge fee.

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